Amendments to the Abstract:

Please replace the abstract with the following rewritten abstract

A combination product which comprises as pharmaceutically active ingredients at least one active ingredient component A and at least one active ingredient component B, where active ingredient component A is a direct soluble guanylate cyclase stimulator of the formula (I) and active ingredient component B is a lipid-lowering agent, is described <u>and claimed</u>. <u>Methods for treating various conditions using combination therapy are also claimed</u>.